

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jan Otto Solem, et al.

Application No.: 10/500,188

Filing Date: June 25, 2004

For: APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A
COMPRESSIVE LOAD ON BODY TISSUE

Group Art Unit: 3774

Confirmation No.: 5341

Examiner: Ann M. Schillinger

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
MAILED DECEMBER 17, 2008
AND
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 17, 2008, please accept the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and consider the above-referenced application in view of the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.